



PATENT

RCE/KH 1765

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICEIn re application of:

Ni et al.

Application No. 09/586,530

Filed: May 31, 2000

For: ETCH ENDPOINT DETECTION

) Attorney Docket No. LAM2P282

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) Examiner: SONG, Matthew J.

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) Group Art Unit: 1765

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) Date: August 17, 2004

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114
 - a. Previously submitted
 - i. Consider the amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
 - ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - iii. Other _____
 - b. Enclosed
 - i. Amendment/Reply
 - ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. Other _____
2. Miscellaneous
 - a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months.
 - b. Other
3. Fees
 - a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any missing following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-0805(LAM2P282).
 - i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
 - ii. Extension of time fee (0 months) (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
 - iii. Other _____
 - b. Check in the amount of \$ 770.00

Date: August 17, 2004
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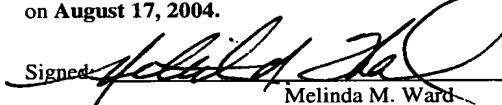
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 35 U.S.C.
132(B)

AND

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO MAY 17, 2004 OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

In response to the Final Office Action mailed May 17, 2004, Applicant hereby requests continued examination and consideration of the enclosed amendments.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

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